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Marta's Interference

By Constance D'Arcy Mackay

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"Heaven deliver me from neighbors!" grumbled Marta to herself as she dusted Professor Travers' study. From its windows she could look across to the next lawn, where a girl in an embroidered dress was tending a flower garden, a lace parasol in one hand and a ridiculously small green watering can in the other. At her heels barked a tiny dog, and it would have been hard to tell which Marta regarded with the more disapproval, the toy spaniel or its owner.

The next door house had been vacant so many years that Marta looked on its new purchasers, the Gainsbors, in the light of intruders, as the little village of Hampstead was seldom frequented by summer people. For this reason Professor Travers made it his retreat the moment college closed in order to escape the festivities of commencement—cheering students, pink ice cream and a host of enthusiastic girls had no charms for him. He was bored by the former and too deeply absorbed in his books to notice the latter. For this Marta, his middle aged housekeeper, was supremely grateful. She had taken care of him too many years to relinquish her supremacy without a struggle.

"But it will come some time," said John, her husband. "Love is like the measles. And the older he is when he takes it the harder it will go with him."

"He is thirty-five and it hasn't come yet," answered Marta hopefully. She had nursed Travers through many childish ailments and felt herself capable of warding off this most dangerous ailment of all. So she guarded his solitude with watchful zeal. She had a horror of intruders, especially young and feminine ones, and the nearness of Betty Gainsboro was a positive menace to her peace of mind.

"Running about in high heeled slippers and wearing big, fluffy hats, just

or danger, yet the sight of a tiny garter

snake made her seek refuge on the nearest fence, where she perched in a panic till Travers had killed it.

One evening when Travers was returning from a lecture he had given at the summer school of an adjoining town he noted a tall young fellow, fair haired and broad of shoulder, get off at the Hampstead station and strike

along a village road like one accustomed to the place. The professor followed a little in the rear. At the Gainsboro gate the young fellow turned, and Betty, who was lingering on the lawn, drew to meet him with outstretched hands.

"Oh, Dick!" she cried, an unmistakable thrill of surprise and joy in her voice. Of the rest Travers saw and heard nothing. He stepped back quickly into the shadows. What right had he to be a witness of a lovers' meeting?

"You must have had a threesome day," said Marta soliloquizing, "for you're as white as a sheet."

"I'm an old fool," groaned Travers to himself, "an old fool. How could I ever have supposed that she could care for me? Why, I'm nothing but a bookworm—all my life has been spent in musty volumes and class rooms, and now—"

He looked toward the Gainsboro house, where the glimmer of a cigarette shone like a firefly through the darkness and the cheerful tinkle-tink of a banjo came on the night air.

"Love," said the professor slowly, "was not intended for me."

Thereafter, to Marta's satisfaction, he stayed indoors, forsaking his canoe and applying himself listlessly to his books. But Marta was quick to read the signs and soon realized that all was not well with the young professor. That he should fall in love had been trouble enough, but to be refused by a girl of his rank no more brains than a butterfly, that was not to be borne, and Marta's anger rose the longer she thought of it. But when, after artfully questioning the professor, she found that he had not asked Miss Betty Gainsboro to marry him, then there raged in Marta's heart a battle between the desire for her own supremacy and the desire for Travers' happiness. The latter conquered.

"I see," she remarked to Travers as he entered his study bright and early, duster in hand, "I see that Miss Gainsboro's cousin, who's been visiting there, has gone. He's going to marry a girl out west and Miss Gainsboro's to be a bridesmaid. Just read it in the paper this morning. I'm sorry to disturb you, professor, but you know this is clearing day. I won't be long. Suppose you go out in the orchard and wait till I'm through?" Marta had seen the flicker of white dress between the trees. Travers, absently, clutching a paper knife, went out into the orchard in a happy day and came face to face with Betty Gainsboro.

"Looking for specimens?" she demanded, a catch of laughter in her tone.

"No," said Travers, "I've found a perfect one at last, a rose of all the roses that I mean to cherish forever, if you will let me, Betty."

"If you don't mind the thorns," she whispered.

And Marta, watching them from the study window, surreptitiously wiped her eyes. "I do believe I'm glad of it after all," she said huskily, "though I know he'll never get his meals on time."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

A man should have sense and woman taste.

The smartest bass finally runs across a bait that fools him.

Every man thinks he could trot some pace if he wanted to hobnob.

People are compelled to smother resentments at least a dozen times a day.

A man who has a falling out with more than two of his neighbors ought to look himself over.

A clever mimic would be good company were it not for the feeling that he is also a clever mimic behind your back.

When a man catches a big string of fish, how he loves to carry it along the main street of the town in which he lives! All of us like to display our big catches in other lines.—Archibald Globe.

Watch Records.

"That watch was sold for the record for his town," a jeweler said. "It has run for twenty-two years without stopping. Aside from a little regulating, oiling and cleaning, it has never needed a repair. I know lots of men who try to establish records for their watches. I know five men in this little town whose watches have run day and night for ten years. Give a good watch to a man and he takes a pride in it. He never forgets to wind it. Stoop to establish a record for your watch. The record for continuous running is held, I believe, by a Swiss watch in Geneva that has run for twenty-eight years."

Money and Marbles.

Once there was a man who thought Russell Sage ought to stop work. He spoke to him about it. "Why get together any more money, Mr. Sage? You can't eat it. You can't drink it. What good will it do you?"

"Ever play marbles?" Uncle Russell asked.

"Yes, when I was a boy."

"Couldn't eat 'em, could you? Couldn't drink 'em, could you? No use to you, were they? What did you play marbles for?"—Harpers.

The Result of Environment.

"I saw the oddest freak the other day," says the man with the honest eyes and the trustworthy face.

"A three legged cat?" We ask, smiling.

"No. It was a chicken that had fur instead of feathers."

"Pur?"

"Yes. It was hatched from a cold storage egg."—Life.

Virtue's Reward.

Where is the reward of virtue and what recompense has nature provided for such important sacrifices as those of life and fortune, which we must of necessity make to it? Oh, sons of earth, are ye ignorant of the value of this celestial mistress? And do ye meanly inquire for her portion when ye observe her genuine beauty?—Hume.

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The device, says the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times, was an acronym of names famous in history, literature and art by which the firm's name was to be engraved on the Boston Public Library. As may be observed, the arrangement defied literature, history and philosophy in arrangement, and this was the thing that attracted the newspaper man's attention. The names were conglomerated from all nations and ages into a seemingly neat ornamentation for the fine building. Beginning at the top of a space to be devoted to names famous in the world in various lines were the following:

Moses,
Cicero,
Kallidius,
Isocrates,
Milton.

These names, through their initials, formed the first part of the acronymic spelling "McKim."

A slight space appeared before the next list of names, which was:

Mozart,
Euclid,
Aeschylus,
Dante.

The initials of these names brought out the second name of the firm, "Mead."

Another slight space, and the following names appeared:

Wren,
Herrick,
Irvine,
Tullius,
Erasmus.

Here was the name "White" also engraved, the whole device bringing out the firm name of "McKim, Mead & White" in connection with the world's famous in the world in various lines were the following:

THE REAL LINCOLN.

He Was Not Homely, and He Was Not Slovenly in Dress.

For many years it has been the fashion to call Mr. Lincoln homely. He was very tall and very thin. His eyes were deep sunken, his skin of a sallow pallor, his hair coarse, black and unruly. Yet he was neither ungraceful nor awkward nor ugly. His large features fitted his large frame, and his large hands and feet were but right on a body that measured six feet four inches. His was a sad and thoughtful face, and from boyhood he had carried a load of care. It is small wonder that when alone or absorbed in thought the face should take on deep lines, the eyes appear as if seeing something beyond the vision of other men and the shoulders stoop as though they, too, were bearing a weight. But in a moment all would be changed. The deep eyes could flash or twinkle merrily with humor or look out from under overhanging brows as they did upon the Five Points children in kindest gentleness. So, too, in public speaking, when his face rose to its full height, with head thrown back and his face transfigured with the fire and earnestness of his thought, he would answer Douglas in the high, clear tenor that came to him in the heat of debate, carrying his ideas so far over the heads of the crowd. And later, during the years of war, when he pronounced with noble gravity the words of his famous addresses, not one in the throngs that heard him could truly say that he was coarse or homely.

It has been the fashion, too, to say that he was slovenly and careless in his dress. This also is a mistake. His clothes could not fit smoothly on his gaunt and bony frame. He was no tailor's figure of a man, but from the first he clothed himself as well as his means allowed and in the fashion of the time and place.

In reading the grotesque stories of his boyhood, of the tall striped hose and trousers left expanded a length of shin, it must be remembered not only how poor he was, but that he lived on the frontier, where other boys, less poor, were scarcely better clad. In Vandalla the blue jeans he wore were the dress of his companions as well as his own. From Springfield days on, clear through his presidency, his costume was the usual suit of black broadcloth, carefully made and scrupulously neat. He cared nothing for style. It did not matter to him whether the man with whom he talked wore a coat of the latest cut or owned no coat at all. It was the man inside the coat that interested him.—Helen Nicolay in St. Nicholas.

Glaucous Eskimos.

The eating powers of the Eskimos, if the tales told in the books of northern explorations are to be believed, are most extraordinary. One writer tells of a young man scarcely full grown who ate four pounds and four ounces of frozen sea horse flesh, four pounds and four ounces of sea horse flesh broiled, one pound and twelve ounces of bread, one and one-fourth pounds of rich gravy in twelve hours. Besides eating the above he also drank one pint of grog, three glasses of raw spirits and nine pints of water.

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25,000	25,000	Wisconsin Central Car Trusts, 5 per cent.	25,000
20,000	20,000	Georgia Pacific Railway, 1st Mgtg., 6 per cent.	23,800
50,000	50,000	Southern Railway, 1st Consolidated, 5 per cent.	58,000
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Loans, Collateral	129,507.60
Loans, Judgments	23,095.00
Vaults, Safe and Furniture. Cost \$27,707.73	100.00
Other Real Estate	15,000.00
Bills Receivable	13,617.98
Cash	230,409.50
	\$2,094,022.16

Capital Stock paid in	\$ 125,000.00
Deposits	1,572,984.13
Dividend unpaid	3,392.00
Surplus and Profits if bonds and stocks were sold	392,646.03
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Cash in Philadelphia	194,781.31	Dividend unpaid	3,392.00
Bond Account	1,453,280.00	Balance over	107,313.37
	\$1,683,689.50		\$1,683,689.50

Amount of Trust Funds Invested	\$1,199,823.37
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When the Earl of Richmond had defeated Richard III. at Bosworth and had been crowned king as Henry VII., he found the times in so troubled a state that men whose rights were infringed upon or denied them dared not apply for justice to the ordinary courts. The unblinking manner in which bribes and threats were resorted to by those that had influence over the proceedings of these courts denied to them the security of a juror's oath.

To reach a mischief that had grown so intolerable Henry, feeling himself strong enough with his second parliament, created a court made up of the highest officers of the kingdom, embracing, theoretically, the king himself, who was considered the author of all justice, to whom was granted unlimited power and discretion over a large, undefined class of offenses, many of which were of a political character, without the restraint of a jury and subject to no revision by appeal.

One said, "A court thus constituted, the court of the star chamber, so called because the ceiling of

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COLLEGEVILLE, MONTG. CO., PA.

E. S. MOSER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 20, 1906.

D. CLARENCE GIBBONEY was nominated for District Attorney by the City Party Convention in Philadelphia, Tuesday.

FROM the Atlanta Constitution: "After all our boasts that Cuba has been Americanized, it develops that she was only being South Americanized."

THE Democrats of the Second District named a strong candidate for the Assembly when they nominated William H. Kneas, of Norristown. Mr. Kneas is a thorough business man, has been a school director for eighteen years, and has many warm personal friends. He will run away ahead of his ticket.

IN a recent campaign speech at Bath, Maine, Secretary Taft announced it to be his individual belief that "since the passage of the Dingley bill there has been a change in the business conditions of the country making it wise and just to revise the schedules of the existing tariff." A rather significant acknowledgment.

A SHORT while ago it was announced that after all the outstanding bills were paid the Capitol Commissioners would have about \$50,000 left from the appropriation of \$4,000,000, and that the building was completed. At a Democratic meeting in Reading, Monday night, State Treasurer Berry asserted that the new State Capitol with furnishings complete would represent the expenditure of over \$12,000,000. If the State Treasurer proves the statement he has made, it will be up to the Capitol Commissioners to make some very important explanations. And satisfactory explanations, too, if Mr. Emery is to be defeated in the gubernatorial contest.

IN the death of Albert Bromer the Perkiomen Valley, and Schwenksville in particular, loses a prominent and worthy citizen who in his earlier years exhibited much more than ordinary intelligence and business sagacity. He was a vigorous thinker and entertained positive convictions in relation to some of the more important questions of government and social and moral conditions. He amassed wealth by utilizing his natural gifts, and the community in which he spent so many of his years profited by his ability to do business. The writer had high respect for Mr. Bromer, notwithstanding differences of opinion, and we regret that the time to say the final farewell has come so soon.

OBSERVATIONS POLITICAL.

At a joint meeting of representatives of the Democratic and Lincoln parties, held prior to the Republican and Democratic Conventions, the following motion was unanimously adopted:

"That no person who accepts a nomination on the Regular Republican ticket, and particularly who was a member of the last Legislature of Pennsylvania and who accepts the nomination on the Republican ticket, shall be placed upon the Lincoln party ticket this year in Montgomery county."

The compact embodied in the above resolution was violated and outraged a convention of Lincolnites in Norristown on Tuesday afternoon of last week when Senator Roberts and Representative Chas. A. Ambler, nominated by previous Republican conventions, were endorsed by a vote of 36 to 26.

A striking instance of political seduction and abduction instigated by Republican office seekers, whose wiles and blandishments and false claims to superior righteousness were made manifest by the omission of the name of Mr. Stuart, candidate for Governor, in the resolutions of endorsement adopted at the Republican County Convention. The Philadelphia contingent of self-abnegating notables of the Lincoln combination, aided and abetted by the Roberts bureau of scintillating correspondence (portraying the par excellence sanctity and heroism of a modern self-declared boss-proof prodigy) contributed causative force to the instance in process of materialization.

Hail the hero! the plumed Achilles! who—with the assistance of Mr. Wanger, et al.—has been covertly directing both the Republican and Lincoln parties in Montgomery county—for the benefit of the saints!

The sop proffered was avidly gulped down by just 36 Lincolnites in violation of an agreement entered into in good faith by their representatives and spokesmen.

And great thus far has been the success of Mr. "stand-pat" Wanger's pet third term boom for pets, and great has been the success of the bureau of correspondence and the sly resolution compilers for the Republican County Convention—where mention of the name of a decent, honorable, and qualified candidate for Governor was omitted—FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE THAN TO SERVE THE ABSOLUTELY SELFISH DESIGNS AND PURPOSES OF A VERY FEW REPUBLICAN OFFICE SEEKERS, who are entirely willing to look with ghoulish composure upon political wrecks and disasters so long as they are safe in a quarter sheathed and protected by duplicity and ingratitude. Will the rank and file Republicans also accept the sop—which acceptance will mean that their candidate for Governor is not good enough to be named in a Montgomery County Convention; or, will they strip the alluring masks of superior excellence from the faces of political pretenders and trimmers? The Republicans of the county who are not candidates for public office, who do not believe in life-tenures in elective offices, and who do not believe in "wearing the livery of heaven" in which to serve the devil or hoodwink the unthinking, will give their decision later.

It is expected that the noted 36 will now be magnanimous enough to grant Mr. Wanger and Mr. Rex at least standing room in the Lincoln party band wagon.

LOCAL HISTORY SKETCHES.

THE MILL—DIMINISHED WATER FLOW—FISHING EXPEDITIONS—THE OLD POND ITS ASSOCIATIONS—PICKING STONES AND CORNSTALKS—HAULING LEAVES CORN HUSKING.

The diminished water flow of the Perkiomen and its tributaries, and of water springs generally, as compared with seventy years ago, is

noteworthy.

In 1835 the little mill owned by my father, later used as a creamery but now in ruins, stood near the southern edge of Gabriel Kline's meadow (now Isaac Longstreth's), and had an almost constant supply of water for grinding purposes. The farmers of the surrounding country brought their grists to be ground. It was arranged, too, as a merchant mill for grinding flour, of

which team loads were sent in barrels to Philadelphia. David Beard did the hauling.

A large dam, a short distance southeast of the Brighurst road leading to Black Rock, was the main reservoir and received the water of the many small streams coursing down through the meadows north and west of it. This dam and a long deep headrace held sufficient water to drive a large overshot wheel and run the mill. John Rosenberger was the miller, and with his family resided in the mill.

The stream, or "run" as we called it, that ran down below the mill through the meadows to the Perkiomen, abounded in fish—sucker, mullet, chub and catfish. Many of the days of my youth were delightfully spent going up and down the "run" catching fish, alternately lolling under the shade trees along the bank. In later years, my brother Elias, a pronounced disciple of Isaac Walton, occasionally gave the small boys of the neighborhood much enjoyment when he came along with his scoop net and dragged the run, hauling out suckers and mullets, some a foot long.

I shall never forget the spot along the run where my brother Benjamin, then a boy of sixteen or seventeen, in feeling for a fish under a sod hanging low down in the water, brought up in his hands a large black water snake. As he did so, he hurried it back over his head, twenty yards away, shrieking in horror at the top of his voice at the unexpected catch.

The greatly diminished flow of water through these meadows, and the consequent absence of fish, are easily accounted for. The same lessened water flow is manifest everywhere all over our country; attributable not so much to lessened rainfall as to rapid evaporation in consequence of the earth's exposure or bareness. Formerly, when more forests or woods covered the ground, the distilled showers did not dry up in a day—the water-soaked ground kept moist and was in a condition to absorb the rains and replenish the hidden reservoirs that supplied the running springs. There is a greater liability to freshets now-a-days by reason of the harder and more exposed surface of the earth, letting water flow off more quickly than when trees and underbrush interfered.

A striking instance of diminished spring supply may be cited right here: When a boy I overheard ex-Sheriff John Todd say that he learned to swim in a stream that ran from the pond, north of his father's house (the pond is still there), down through the meadow opposite the pond. Passing the pond to-day, we may look in vain to see even a vestige of approach to anything like a stream running from it large enough for a boy to swim in!

This pond so near the home of my childhood was the arena of much sport for sliding and skating in winter. One winter morning, when during the night a light snow had fallen on the surface of the ice, I remember well writing with a stick my name and "1833."

No stronger proof than the above can be given to show the lessened supply of water springs.

Before leaving the old homestead and its many associations, I may be indulged in referring to several now obsolete but then very real occupations for our children. One was picking stones on heaps in the fields that were to be mowed, working even to wearing off the cuticle to the tender skin of the fingers. Another occupation was putting cornstalks on heaps in springtime, used for barnyard litter. The corn was topped those days, only the fodder above the ear was thought to be fit for cattle to eat. After the corn was husked, cattle were turned into the field to eat up the husks and remaining blades, leaving the bare stalks stand over winter, which in early spring were cut off with hoe or scythe.

Another occupation was raking leaves in the woods and hauling them home for litter to save straw. Damp rainy weather was chosen for this work as the leaves packed better than when dry.

In this connection I must not omit allusion to corn huskings. It was a custom for farmers to have what was called a husking frolic—invite neighbors together to husk corn. Sometimes as many as 30 to 40 would meet. These so-called frolics were generally in the evening, ending with a nice supper prepared by the farmer's wife.

HENRY A. HUNSICKER.
604 Wister St., Germantown, Pa.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 13, 1906.

The situation in Cuba is absorbing the attention of the President and the State and War Departments to the exclusion of other foreign topics and the result of many conferences on the subject was shown when the announcement was made that the cruiser Denver had been despatched to Havana and the gunboat Marietta to Cienfuegos. The President at Oyster Bay is in close communication with the Department here and it is by his instructions that these vessels have been sent to safeguard the interests of Americans in the island. There will be no partiality shown toward either party taking part in the revolution in the sending out of the Denver and Marietta which will for the present be used as a refuge in case of need for our countrymen. If any preparations are being made

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for taking a hand in settling affairs in Cuba by our Governments but it is well known that the army and navy are in such a state of readiness that any required force could be despatched without delay.

Under the Platt amendment this Government has power to maintain public order in Cuba and if the President should decide at any moment that the time had arrived for intervention, the navy and the troops would be found in a much better state of preparation for the work than at the time of hostilities between Spain and this country. During our occupation of the Island the accurate maps were made and exhaustive information as to the geography and general information were collected and filed for future use. No part of our own country is better known to the military authorities and this in connection with the better facilities for delivering army supplies would make the work of suppressing the revolution there comparatively simple. A large force would not be required in case of intervention, it is thought, and it is stated positively that until the Government becomes fully acquainted with the character of the hostilities there and not until the President is convinced that the Cuban Government is fully proved incapable of coping with the revolutionists will there be intervention. It is apparent, though, in Department circles that such a condition is anticipated and that probably before the regular reassembling of Congress such a step will be taken.

Rather curiously, Americans in the Island are opposed to intervention. Their properties and interests there, they believe, would fare worse during the guerrilla warfare that would follow and occupation by the Americans and they prefer that the Cubans be allowed to fight it out between themselves. The Denver which arrived at Havana Wednesday night is a vessel of the protected cruiser type. She is 292 feet in length and has a displacement of 3,100 tons. She carries ten four inch guns and fifteen small guns. The Marietta, which has been doing patrol duty in Dominican waters and which was ordered from Monte Christi to Cienfuegos, on the Southern coast of Cuba, is a composite gun boat 174 feet in length and with a displacement of 1,018 tons. It will be seen that these are not very formidable war ships but as they have no duty for the present but to shelter Americans who may be exposed to danger they will be as effective as larger vessels.

The cause of the parcels post is to have encouragement this winter, it is predicted by First Assistant Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock who sailed the other day for Europe. He will spend several months abroad studying the operation of the parcels post in those countries, and to establish on his return such measures as he may think advisable for the institution of a parcels post in this country. Mr. Cortelyou, the Postmaster General is known to be in favor of it as are the majority of the high officials and if the day ever comes when the express companies of this country shall be curbed in their power in Congress we may certainly look for this most advantageous addition to our postal service. The Trusts and notably the Express Company Trust which has been represented in the Senate for many years by Senator Platt of New York have in the last session or two seen a decline in their power over the Government, and when the Express Companies shall have been reduced to their proper place the only serious opponent of

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Lower Providence Baptist Church. Preaching services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., every Sunday. Rev. F. W. Tisdale, pastor. Bible school, 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:30. Shannonsville Mission, every second Sunday evening at 7:30; Bible school, Sunday, at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.; Rev. S. O. Perry, pastor.

Evansburg M. E. Church, Rev. W. G. Stok, pastor. Sabbath School, 9:30 a. m. Preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Song and prayer service, 7 p. m.

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. S. L. Westinghouse, S. T. D., pastor. Sunday School at 9 a. m. Preaching at 10 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Junior Endeavor prayer meeting at 7:45 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting at 8 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the services.

Trappe Circuit United Evangelical Church, Rev. George R. Riffert, pastor. Services for the coming Sabbath as follows: Trappe--Preaching at 10 a. m.; Sunday School at 2 p. m.; prayer meeting at 7:45 p. m. For Allegheny, at 7:45 p. m.; Sunday School, at 9 a. m.; C. E. service, at 7:30 p. m. The public is heartily asked to worship God with us.

Passenger trains leave Collegeville for Philadelphia, 7:45, 11:30 a. m., 6:30 p. m. Sunday--7:11 a. m., 6:28 p. m. For Allentown, 7:45, 11:02 a. m., 6:22, 6:30 p. m. Sunday--8:30 a. m., 7:28 p. m.

Home and Abroad.

—The autumn season

—Begins to-morrow, September 21.

—Cool nights and hot days.

—G. W. Seaton's sale of cows at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, advertised for next Monday, has been postponed.

—Mitterling's next sale of cows at Perkiomen Bridge hotel on Friday, September 28. See adverb.

—The Central Hotel of Roversford has been sold to Daniel F. Lynch, formerly of Norristown, with the expectation of getting the license restored.

—The tenth anniversary of the founding of the Mennonite Home for the Aged at Frederick, was celebrated on Sunday.

—Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Krusen attended the joint meeting of the International Congress and American Institute of Homoeopathy at Atlantic City, last week.

—In grading for the electric railway on S. J. Loos' farm, Fairview Village, laborers struck a small vein of what is claimed to be anthracite coal.

—A fire company has been organized in Souderton.

—A niggardly rich man does not own his estate; his estate owns of him.—Boon.

—C. H. Geyer, a Boyertown cigar-maker, ate 112 raw oysters and says his appetite was good for more of them.

—By a long road we know a horse's strength, so length of days shows a man's heart.—Chinese proverb.

—Ten boys quit work to see a Wild West show in Norristown and left their jobs.

—We should never remember the benefits conferred nor forget the favors received.—Chile.

—A comfort about being cross-eyed is a man can look at a pretty girl without her having to yell for the police.—New York Press.

—Those who want fewest things are nearest to the gods.—Socrates.

—After an absence of 60 years, John Mery, of Bellefontaine, O., is visiting the home of his boyhood, near Ephrata.

—It is as useless to fight against the interpretations of ignorance as to whip the fog.—Elliot.

—William Faust, of Stonetown, has already picked 7000 head of cabbage from his patch.

Religious Meeting.

A religious meeting will be held in the Upper Providence Friends' meeting house on First Day, September 30. Ministering Friends are expected to be present.

A Family of Long Livers.

Eleven children of the late Michael Moll, of Klinesville, Pa., all of whom are living, constitute a family notable for longevity. Their ages range from 65 to 83 years.

Lockjaw Kills Horse.

A valuable driving horse belonging to M. P. Anderson, of Black Rock, died last week from lockjaw. The horse ran a nail in his foot while on Bridge street, Phoenixville, and lockjaw developed quickly.

Game Laws.

The game laws provide that the periods for the killing of game shall be as follows: Squirrel, October 1 to December 1; Pheasant, October 15 to December 15; Rabbit, November only; Quail, November only.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

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Aged Horse Killed.

On Tuesday Henry Bower, V. S., of this borough, painfully ended the existence of a faithfully 32-year-old horse belonging to Frank Minter, of near Oaks.

A Large Egg Plant.

Harry Eyer, farmer on F. J. Clauger's Glen farm, this borough, brought an egg plant to this office last week that measured 24 by 26 inches, and the mammoth specimen proved to be excellent in quality.

New Trial Refused.

The court has refused a new trial for Edward Emmers, the Roversford manufacturer, who was convicted at the June court of violating the act of April 2, 1905, in polluting the river, by drainage from his manufactory.

5,000 Persons at Picnic.

At the old Goshenhoppen church picnic near Woxall, about 5,000 persons were present. The crowd consumed 610 quarts of ice cream, 7 barrels of peanuts, 3 barrels of pretzels, 9 barrels of oysters, a ton of horse load of watermelons, a wagonload of cakes and \$150 worth of candy.

Ringing Rocks Railway Sold.

On Monday the ownership of the Ringing Rocks electric railway was transferred to the Northern Passenger Railway Company, George Hoger, President. The company, controlled by the S. V. T. Company, will soon begin to widen the tracks and to build the line to Swamp, to connect with the line being built from Boyertown.

Automobilists Halted.

Messrs. Disson and Scott, automobilists of Philadelphia, were halted in this borough on Sunday by Constable Barndt and his deputy Charles Vandervliet for traveling and carrying a New Jersey license card. They put up a forfeit of \$12.25 each, pending a hearing on Monday. Neither autoist appeared.

Large Potato Crop From Forty Acres.

A great crop of potatoes is being harvested on the potato farm of D. D. and N. D. Fritch, Macungie, Pa. The potato patch is 40 acres in extent and the crop ranges from 350 to 380 bushels per acre. Allowance expected to aggregate about 14,000 bushels. Eleven pickers follow the digger and about 1200 bushels are harvested every day.

Wait Until Next Year, Boys.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: I see by your issue of September 6th that Collegeville had a picnic with the Speedwell A. C. catcher. Allow me to say that I was merely picked up and that next summer we will bring a team of boys to Collegeville that will make everybody "sit up and take notice." We come from Lower Merion, respectively.

E. J. DOWHERTY, Haverford, Pa.

The Village of Skippack Deluged.

Wednesday evening of last week a heavy rain, similar to what is termed a cloudburst, fell upon the village of Skippack, and for more than an hour the rain came down in torrents. The little stream that flows near the village was swollen to such an extent as to flood barns and the first stories of houses, resulting in considerable damage to private property and the Skippack road. The race was won by J. K. Thomas, who was the only inhabitant.

The Turf.

At Kinwood, Thursday afternoon, Frank Wildman's fast trotter High Algonah in 2:28 and 2:23. Gyles Algonah made a break in both heats, and was subsequently driven an exhibition mile in 2:15, going by the half in 1:03, and his owner was given the track record. Algonah was sent a quarter in 32 seconds. In class B, H. Wismer's Nellie Queen won unsteadily and won a special class in 2:35, going by the half in 1:03, and his owner was given the track record. Algonah was sent a quarter in 32 seconds. In class B, H. Wismer's Nellie Queen won unsteadily and won a special class in 2:35, going by the half in 1:03, and his owner was given the track record. Algonah was sent a quarter in 32 seconds.

Great Horse Sale.

J. A. Rhodes held a big sale of western horses at Perkiomen Bridge hotel, Monday afternoon, and 34 animals were struck off to the highest bidders by auctioneer L. H. Ingram. The race was won by J. K. Thomas, who was the only inhabitant.

Bull in a Store.

Thursday morning an obstreperous bull, one of a drove being driven up High street, Pottstown, took to the pavement and bolted into the Mills dry goods store. Instantly there was a big scattersation. Fortunately the hour was early, and there were few persons in the store except the clerks. The bull ran to the rear of the store and into the Mills dry goods store. Instantly there was a big scattersation. Fortunately the hour was early, and there were few persons in the store except the clerks. The bull ran to the rear of the store and into the Mills dry goods store.

Gas Company Chartered.

Governor Pennypacker has granted a charter to the Collegeville Gas Co., authorizing the making and selling of gas in Collegeville, Trappe and vicinity. The capital stock is \$10,000. The incorporators are Jos. C. Landes, Geo. F. Clauger, W. P. Fenton, E. A. Krusen and Horace L. Saylor. The Company's plant on Fifth avenue east is about completed. It combines the latest and best equipment for the manufacture of acetylene gas and will go into operation in the near future. It is probable that the first place to be illuminated will be the shaving parlor and residence of F. W. Scheuren.

Well Worth Trying.

W. H. Brown, the popular pensioner, of Pittsfield, Vt., says: "Next to a pension, the best thing to get is Dr. King's New Life Pills. He writes: 'They keep my family in splendid health.' Quick cure for headache, constipation and biliousness. 25 cents. Guaranteed at Joseph W. Culbert's drug store."

Philadelphia Markets.

Wheat, 71; corn, 58c.; oats, 40c.; winter bar, \$19.50; timothy hay, \$17.50; mixed hay, \$15; steers, 41 to 42c.; fat cows, 31 to 41c.; sheep, 2 to 6c.; lambs, 51 to 51c.; hogs, 91 to 91c.

Shocked by Lightning.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Longaker, of Eagleville, had a narrow escape from being killed during the storm on Thursday evening. They were seated upon the porch in front of their residence when a bolt of lightning struck the side of the house. Mr. Longaker was knocked off the chair and badly injured. He is still confined to his bed. Mrs. Longaker was but slightly injured.

Contract for Bank Building Awarded.

The building committee of the Collegeville National Bank has awarded the contract for the construction of a bank building to Stroud P. Spear of Norristown. The \$3490, the contractor agreeing to fully complete the building, including concrete vault etc., in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by J. V. Polley, architect, of Roversford. The building will be of Chester county stone of attractive color and enduring quality, with roof of never-fading green slate from Vermont, and the structure when completed will, it is believed, be an ornament to the borough. Mr. Spear has sub-let the mason and concrete work to M. N. Barndt, of this borough. It is probable that ground will be broken this week for the building and the site selected for the building next to H. H. Koons' property, Main street.

Democratic Nominations in the Four Legislative Districts of Montgomery County, Tuesday.

First District--Convention at Jenkintown. Joseph A. Brock, of Cheltenham, was nominated.

Second District--Convention at the Rambo House, Norristown. J. Tracey, of Plymouth, withdrew, and William H. Kneas, of Norristown, was nominated by acclamation.

Third District--Convention at Lansdale. J. Milton Lewin, of Roversford, and George Lutz of Plymouth, withdrew. George Lutz, of North Wales, was nominated by acclamation.

Fourth District--Convention at Pennsburg, Montgomery Longaker chairman. All the candidates except Messrs. Gilbert and Kern of Pottstown and Red Hill, withdrew. Elias Gilbert was nominated by the narrow majority of one vote. The result of the ballot was: Gilbert 33; Kern, 32.

Adjustment of Property Values.

Many complaints have come in to the County Commissioners about unjust assessments and the claim that large properties are assessed at smaller values than smaller ones. It is likely that a radical reform will be started. The assessors from each district are to have a separate meeting with the Commissioners and most of the assessors will be called to the Court House to confer with the Commissioners. The idea is to stop discrimination in making the assessments. It is said that the greater tax burdens are made to bear the burden of taxation. It is likely that a radical reform will be started. The assessors from each district are to have a separate meeting with the Commissioners and most of the assessors will be called to the Court House to confer with the Commissioners. The idea is to stop discrimination in making the assessments. It is said that the greater tax burdens are made to bear the burden of taxation. It is likely that a radical reform will be started. The assessors from each district are to have a separate meeting with the Commissioners and most of the assessors will be called to the Court House to confer with the Commissioners. The idea is to stop discrimination in making the assessments. It is said that the greater tax burdens are made to bear the burden of taxation.

Opening at Ursinus.

The exercises incident to the opening of the thirty-seventh academic year of Ursinus College were held in Bomberger Hall, Wednesday evening of last week. The address given was by State Senator Algernon B. Roberts. He said in part: "The trained man is beginning to work for the betterment of politics. We have an army of men who are standing for right, like those of a great country. The trouble of this country's honor. The trouble of the men who fail to take any interest in politics and not altogether with the lawmakers of the State or country. What can the college man do to improve the education? Politics should be the greatest service to which he could devote his study." The number of students enrolled at the college is larger than in former years. The new member of the faculty is Professor C. G. Haines, history and political science; Professor James T. Root, mathematics and physics; Professor Adolph Schumaker, modern languages, and Robert D. Kirkland, instructor in Latin and German.

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DEATHS.

Sarah J., daughter of Canby and Lida Harner, of Port Providence, died Monday of typho-malaria, aged 15 years. The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at 1 o'clock, interment at Green Tree cemetery; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge.

Harry J., infant son of Joseph and Alice Penbleton, of Oaks, died of cholera infantum Tuesday morning, aged one month. Funeral this Thursday at noon, at 2 o'clock, interment at Green Tree cemetery; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge.

Jonathan Nye, one of the oldest residents of this vicinity, died of general debility Tuesday morning at his home in Trappe, near the intersection of Collegeville, at the age of 83 years. Deceased, who was a well known and much respected citizen, leaves a wife and one brother, Samuel E. Nye, of Norristown; and one sister, Mrs. Stroud P. Spear, of Norristown. The funeral will be held on Saturday at 10 a. m., all services at the house. Interment at Montgomery cemetery, Norristown; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge of arrangements.

URSINUS COLLEGE.

The entering class at present numbers thirty-one. The total enrollment will exceed that of last year. The Ursinus Academy includes among its students this year a large number of Spanish boys from Cuba, representatives of good families. The local management of the institution has again been placed by the Board of Directors in the hands of an Administration Committee of the Faculty composed of Dean Omwake and Professors Kline and Chandler.

Reiner Faringer, '06 has been appointed Graduate Director of Athletics for the ensuing year. Mr. Faringer played on the varsity football and base-ball teams during his college course and was captain of the football team last year.

A meeting of the Athletic Association was held at the John Calvin Myers, '07, East Berlin, was elected president and John Brook Paiste, '08 Langhorne, was elected secretary. The Faculty has elected Professor Homer Smith as representative on the Athletic Council.

The annual reception in honor of the new students was held by the College Young Men's Christian Association on Saturday evening. Brief addresses were made by D. D. presided a sermon from Rev. Dr. Francis C. Yost, pastor of Trinity Reformed Church. Cornet and vocal solos were rendered by William Hoy Stoner and Miss Clara Flieg, respectively. Refreshments were served.

FROM OAKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Groome, of Haboro, Pa., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Groome.

Say, boys! stop that catwallowing and kicking up heels on the avenue. Every Saturday night or the night anything of importance is going on at Norristown, those who attend those important events return on the Drunk Express, which is the fastest and cheapest way to the avenue they come, letting out the most hideous catcalls, etc. They say money talks. So we agree, but whiskey talks in a rambling, jiggling way. We do not blame any one for drinking, but the noisy crowd must be foreigners. No one in so well regulated a community would stop before common decency and fill the night air with owl-like noises and catcalls. Our neighbor called our attention to the fact, and said he would lay for the gun. There was a serious objection to having a hotel, saloon, tavern or house of ill fame on the avenue would be filled with drunken, boisterous men. The sounds we hear some nights leads a fellow to believe Coxey's army is on the move. Nothing like going away from home to take your nips.

Items From Trappe.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Alderfer, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Weikel of Spring City, were the guests of Annie R. Alderfer, Sunday.

Mrs. Annie E. Fry is having a flagstone pavement placed in front of and at the side of her house. A commendable improvement; one that is worth imitating.

The Willing Workers of the U. E. church will meet in the basement of the church on Saturday afternoon, September 22, at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. H. V. Keyser and daughter have returned home from Honeybrook, Chester county, where Mrs. Keyser waited upon her sister who was very ill with blood poisoning.

Roadmaster Joseph S. Stearly is having the bridge near the Custer farm rebuilt.

The grammar school at Chestnut Hill, near this borough, will be opened on Monday, September 25, by Mr. and Mrs. Groome. There are there too many pupils for one room and one teacher.

David H. Tyson is suffering from an attack of dysentery.

John Brunner has resigned his position as motorman on the trolley line and leased and taken possession of a blacksmith shop in Roversford.

The annual family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bechtel, on Saturday afternoon and evening. Those present from the vicinity, Norristown, and other places numbered about ninety and they brought with them good things in abundance. It was a delightful social event and was enjoyed by all.

Rally Day and Harvest Home services will be held in St. Luke's Reformed church next Sunday. A printed service, entitled "Praise and Thanksgiving," consisting of songs, recitations, etc., will be read in the morning. There will also be a short sermon by the pastor. In the evening the services will be of a similar character exclusive of the part taken by the Sunday school in the morning. Seats free. All welcome.

Catherine I., widow of the late John Cook, died Friday morning after a long illness due to the affection of the lungs, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob L. Miller. Deceased, who was about 56 years of age, leaves four sisters and one nephew. Mrs. Jacob L. Miller and Mrs. George M. Miller of this borough, Mrs. Robert Moyer, of Collegeville, and Joseph Cole of Norristown. The funeral was held on Tuesday at 10 a. m. Services and interment at the home of the deceased; undertaker F. W. Shalkop in charge.

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Corn cutting is the order of the day. A large Carolina colored man told me he



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WATERLOO.

Graciously was Solved to Blame For the Downfall of Napoleon.

Napoleon would have won the battle of Waterloo had Graciously prevented the junction of the Prussians with the English army, because he would not have had to fight two battles at once. Few persons realize that the so-called battle of Waterloo was in reality a double battle, somewhat like Jena and Austerlitz. Napoleon fought one battle at Waterloo against the English. On the arrival of the Prussians he was forced to go in person toward Planchenoit and there fight another battle against the Prussian army, leaving to Ney the conduct of the troops at Waterloo. It is a well known maxim in war that a very great or decisive victory cannot be gained unless one commander makes a serious blunder of which the other takes immediate advantage. It is very evident that the fact of the emperor having to fight two battles at once instead of concentrating his attention on one alone enormously increased the possibility of a mistake. Moreover, Napoleon did not have the able lieutenants of his former campaigns. Dessaix, Kleber, Lannes and Bessieres were dead, Massena and MacDonald had taken the oath of allegiance to the Bourbons, and Murat had split with the emperor. Napoleon's personal attention was therefore imperative. To Graciously alone all blame must be attributed, for had he prevented the union of the Prussians with the English the emperor would have had to fight only one battle at a time and could have given his entire personal attention to that one battle.

In the second place, Napoleon would not have been forced to fight with 71,047 men against two armies numbering about 125,000—nearly two to one against him. He would have had 71,047 good soldiers pitted against a raw, undisciplined army of 67,861 men under the Duke of Wellington, which was not only inferior in mere numbers, but far inferior in morale and experience.

The chances would have been greatly in favor of the French. Then, too, the French army was commanded by the acknowledged master of modern warfare, whose brilliant successes at Rivoli, Marengo, Austerlitz, Jena, Friedland, Wagram, the Borodino and Dresden had dazzled the whole world. Until then Napoleon had never been defeated in any great decisive battle except Leipzig, and the French were strong in their confidence of the emperor's success. Two of the best writers on the Waterloo campaign, Shaw-Kennedy and Siborne, both Englishmen, concur in saying that had Graciously kept the Prussians away the English army would have been badly beaten. This view is also held by the ablest writer of all, Mr. Ropes—United Service Review.

Of Noblest Birth

By Honore Willis

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Harvell lay in the bottom of his canoe. The canoe was tied a few feet out from the shore, and the river, deep, powerful and mysterious, tugged at the frail little craft. But Harvell did not heed the call. The darkness was deep, yet luminous, with the promise of an early moon, and the night wind that swept from shoreward was sweet and heavy with the fragrance of blooming rushes.

Harvell stared upward to the stars, every sense as keenly alive to the beauty of the scene as if mind and heart had not been given over for days to the problem which he had thrown himself into the canoe to solve. Finally he stirred restlessly and said half aloud:

"No. It's no use. I can't do it. She is too fine and thoroughbred for a great, common born chap like me to marry."



"MARGARET!" HE CRIED.

And—no, even if she should be willing, which is an insane thought on my part, I've no right to let her sacrifice herself. I'll stay until tomorrow and then plead business and disappear."

There was a little stir near the pier, as of the underbrush, then a woman's voice, wonderfully clear and sweet:

"Let's sit here and wait for the moon to rise. The bungalow is so close and hot tonight."

Harvell caught his breath. It was she. The voice that he had recognized as that of his married sister, who was chaperoning the bungalow party.

"You haven't been yourself at all, Margaret, during the entire week."

"I know it, Agnes. The voice, with its tired note, was very touching, and Harvell stirred restlessly. "I'm useless to myself and every one else—every one else," she repeated, as if to herself.

"Oh, nonsense! Peggy, you are too fine and wholesome to talk so. I wish," Agnes stopped as if not daring to go on.

Margaret's voice continued: "I want you to help me to steal off tonight, Agnes. I want to go home, and I may go to the Westbury and go to Paris. The stage goes down at 9 and I am going to catch it and steal off without a word to any one. Please, Agnes."

The perspiration started to Harvell's face as he strained his ears to catch Agnes' reply. When it came he gasped: "Sometimes I think brother Paul is a fool!"

Margaret's voice was stern. "Agnes, I wish you would never mention Paul Harvell's name to me. I—" But her voice was growing too faint for the man in the canoe to distinguish her words, strive as he would.

"They've started back to the bungalow," he thought. "I am a cad to have listened even thus much. But, anyhow, I've lived up to the adage. I wonder why I'm a fool!"

Suddenly a realizing sense of Margaret's words came to him. She was going away, going within an hour, and all that he had been feeling for a year was unsaid. For a moment his stern resolve of the early evening was forgotten. Then he sat erect, every muscle tense with stress of feeling.

"It's better so," he said bitterly. "It's my business to begin to forget, if I never want to hear my name again." He looked off toward the bank, then gave a startled exclamation. The pier had disappeared. His canoe was floating rapidly down stream, while his paddle was safely locked in the boat-house.

"I must be almost on the rapids," he thought. With the thought the boat turned the bend that had shut off the sound of the falls and the canoe was in the whirlpool. To swim was out of the question, for in the river here was a mass of jagged rocks hidden in seething foam. Almost instantly the canoe was broken and capsized. Harvell, dazed and bruised, clung to the wrecked boat that had wrecked him. Fight as he would with all the force of his wonderful physique, he was dashed again and again upon the stones. Yet as he fought he was conscious of only one thought:

"I must get there. I must have just one word with Margaret before she goes."

Then he gave a cry of remembrance. He, with the other men of the canoe party, had been planning a footbridge across the rapids. The week before, with infinite toil they had laid a single line of heavy planks on the projecting rocks from shore to shore. They were not yet fastened in any way, their heavy weight serving to balance them fairly well on the stones. The darkness, not yet lighted by the moon, concealed the planks, but clinging desperately with one hand Harvell felt about with the other and by rare good luck found a plank, wet and slippery with sludge, on a neighboring rock. With infinite toil he raised himself out of the water inch by inch until at last he crouched on the great stone and felt the teetering plank.

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A large majority of the apples were at maturity of the finest quality, sound and crisp. Although none had in previous years been placed in the cellar, several bushels were stored that fall, which kept very well. We make the same application since each summer, and there is not a trace of decayed center, nor have we an apple on the farm which is so salable during March and even into April as this formerly worthless russet.

A Convenient Gate.

One of the great conveniences about a barn or house is a gate that swings both ways and always closes and fastens behind the man with two pails of milk, etc. It is very simple and inexpensive, writes a correspondent of Farm Progress. Make as an ordinary gate and put a common hinge at the bottom. Mortise a slot through the

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We were told that the apples at maturity were practically worthless, the former owner only allowing the tree to stand because it was a first class fruit, but which could be crushed with ease in the hand, revealing a blackened, rotted center, and entirely worthless. Such was the state of fully three-fourths of the crop.

I hesitated before acting upon the advice to destroy this tree, for I believed there was a remedy. It was evident from the rank growth that nitrogen had been supplied too generously by the pigeon, and too much nitrogen without potash in proportion to make the pulp of firm texture had worked mischief with the apples. When the tree was making good growth the following year we applied ten pounds of muriate of potash, scattering it over the ground under the trees as far out as the branches extended. As this potash is soluble, it was soon supplying plant food to the roots, there being no soil to interfere with its descent.

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A tool in the hand is worth three where you can't find them.

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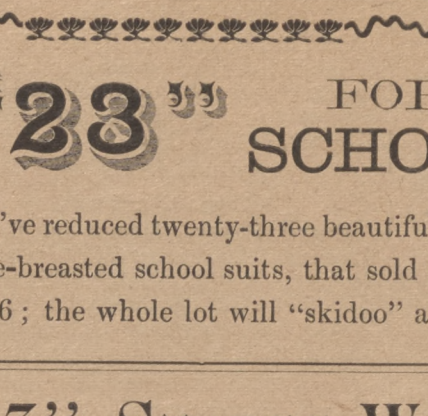
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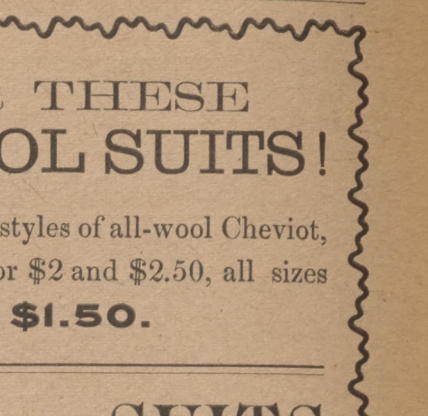
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